

LYCOPODIUM COMPLANATUM, VAR. FLABELLIFORME WITH TWENTY-FIVE SPIKES. On page 119, vol. 9, of the American Fern Journal, October-December, 1919, Prof. Jennings notes finding in the herbarium at the Carnegie Museum a specimen of *Lycopodium complanatum*, var. *flabelliforme* with seven spikes. The year 1919 was, in my region, very fruitful among the Lycopodiums. All through the season I noted every carpet of the plant thick set with its candles. When it came time to gather the Christmas greens, I found many interesting specimens. One fruiting branch had its normal two peduncles but the two were so divided and subdivided as to have in all twenty-five spikes, if a branch of one spike is to be counted as a spike. Another fruiting branch had its two peduncles, each with more than the normal number of spikes; but the central bud that should have produced the next year's growth, had developed like a continuation of the plant's main stem, was nearly a foot long and had rootlets.—M. A. MARSHALL, STILL RIVER, MASS.

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### American Fern Society

#### REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT FOR 1921.

The year 1921 was in several respects one of unusual interest and importance in the history of the American Fern Society, especially in membership increase, in the consideration of plans for greater future usefulness, and in the pleasure members derived from the impromptu meeting held in connection with the Fern Exhibition of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society at Boston in September. At this meeting there crystallized a feeling that had been entertained by several members quite independently that in view of the steadily increasing use of ferns as house plants it would be well